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In re application of

Docket No: CA1163

Peter R. BEETHAM, et al.

Appln. No. 09/685,403

Group Art Unit: 1638

Confirmation No.:4644

Examiner: KRUSE, David H.

Filed: October 10, 2000

For: NON-TRANSGENIC HERBICIDE RESISTANT PLANTS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 2327
Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 09/11/02 the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the presently pending claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for a three-month extension of time is being filed even date herewith and a timely response is now due by 11 March 2003.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-13 and 19 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend Claims 14 and 15 as follows:

14. (As Twice Amended) A method for producing a non-transgenic herbicide resistant or

produce a mutant EPSPS gene that expresses an EPSPS protein that is mutated